

PRINTERS CAUSED TROUBLE TO STATE

Appeals to Bondsmen, However, Settled All Cases Save One.

FEW GET AUTO LICENSES

Few More Days Remain to Secure Old Numbers—Fugitive Is Arrested.

Regret that derelictions on the part of contractors for the State's printing forced him to present the situation to the boardmen, is expressed in the annual report of Superintendent of Public Printing Davis Bottom, made public yesterday. This had to be done in several instances, and satisfactory results were obtained in every case save one. The exception was the Houseman Printing Company, which was, says Mr. Bottom, "so indifferent to the requirements of its contract," that he proceeded to take action on its bond and gave the work awarded to it, to another printer. The excess cost on account of this action was \$15.59, but there was no extra cost to the State, inasmuch as the Houseman Company had completed more than enough work to cover the loss.

The balance due this firm by the State is \$404.09, but as a number of assignments and judgments have been filed against this sum in Mr. Bottom's office, the whole matter has been placed in the hands of the Attorney-General for final adjustment.

Growing Business.
This, the fortieth annual report of the Public Printer, shows an increased cost of output, for the reason that the number of State departments and their business has grown rapidly in recent years. The amount expended during the past year was \$32,116.17, an increase of \$12,350.61 over the previous year, due in part to the session of the General Assembly of 1910.

The sum of \$230 was received for the sale of printed bills to individuals, as provided by law.

Mr. Bottom thanks State officials for their courtesy and expresses his appreciation of the faithful labors of his clerk, Harvey E. Atkinson.

The expenditure for printing was divided as follows: Book composition, \$15,996.13; book press work, \$2,375.43; job composition, \$505.85; job press work, \$1,263.82; stationery, \$5,927.22; ruling, \$250.45; cutting and folding, \$13; binding, \$3,296.66; advertising and lithographing, \$859.99; drayage and postage, \$374.98; insurance on paper, \$15.50; miscellaneous, \$1,150.74.

LICENSES GO SLOWLY

Auto Owners Have Only Eight Days to Secure Old Numbers

Only about 200 automobile licenses for 1911 have so far been issued from the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Probably 2,300 additional



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Ben Dyer, a fugitive from Tarheel justice, Dyer was convicted in Davidson county of burglary, and escaped from custody. He is in jail in Danville, and Officer Charles S. Neely will take him back to the State prison.

INCORRECT STORES
No \$100 Fine Has Been Found and No Officer Has Been Tried.

Regarding the statements published yesterday stating in effect that a fine of \$100 had been imposed on an officer of the Virginia Volunteers, probably in Norfolk, Adjutant-General W. W. Sale last night authorized the following statement:

No information regarding any court-martial has been authorized by the Adjutant-General's office.

No court-martial proceedings are now pending or have been recently had in connection with any officer in the service.

No proceedings are now pending or have been recently had in connection with any Norfolk soldier.

The verdict in the Richmond First Regiment cases has been in the office for several weeks, but has been held up, pending the adjustment of several points at law.

No fine of \$100 has been returned in any case.

Regulation Granted.
The Governor yesterday granted a regulation asked for by Governor W. W. Kitchin, of North Carolina, for

machines are licensed for 1910. But eight more days remain for owners to renew their licenses and receive their old numbers, for, with the beginning of the year each applicant will get the lowest number exceeding 100 then not taken.

This rule will be enforced to prevent confusion in the office. License Clerk J. M. Hayes had anticipated a much greater demand for the old numbers than has arisen.

Click on Assessment.
The State Corporation Commission is notified that the Circuit Court of Montgomery county will be petitioned to correct a mineral land assessment made by Mineral Assessor James A. Stone.

A recent proceeding of this sort in Alleghany county resulted in an increased valuation of the property of the petitioner.

SWALLOWS CASH TO CONCEAL GUILT

That, at Least, Is the Way the Police Regard Case of Bessie Smith.

W. M. Howard, colored, one-legged and very drunk, hung to the railing before the sergeant's desk at the First Police Station last night, and vehemently accused one Bessie Smith of having rolled him for \$17 of his hard-earned cash. Bessie, who had been previously arrested by Policeman Folkes, as vehemently denied the allegations, and she was supported in her statements by her friend, Katie Shelton, whom Policeman Folkes also brought along.

Howard's state of intoxication was such that the officer had to go out and assist him in the station.

While he was gone for the accused John Harris, a colored boy, who happened to be walking along Seventeenth Street at the time, came in and volunteered the information that he had seen Bessie grab the money. Despite the positive statements of both men, she suddenly declared she was innocent, and a negro woman was sent for to search her.

Meanwhile, Howard had been locked up so he could get sober enough to make a more connected statement.

As the Smith woman left the room to be searched, Folkes called attention to the fact that when she was brought in her right jaw was much swollen, but it seemed to have gone down in an incredibly short time. She was requested to open her mouth, and a miniature flashlight was used to illuminate the cavity, so they all came to the conclusion that she had swallowed the roll. When she moved from before the sergeant's desk one of the bystanders picked up a small wad from the floor. It proved to be \$2, but was quite dry, and could not have been the cause of the swollen jaw.

The search did not reveal any more money. Katie Shelton, who, in the course of her talk, made several conflicting statements, owned up and said that she saw Bessie take the money, though she did not know the amount. The latter, being brought back to the office tried to incriminate her friend, but with small success. She finally said that Howard was so drunk that he did not know what he was doing; that he threw his money away along the street and she picked up the two dollars. She did not, however, explain why she dropped it while being questioned.

Cole-Mahon.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Nelson Canton, Va., December 22.—A very pretty marriage was solemnized yesterday afternoon at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, the contracting parties being R. E. Cole and Miss Evelyn Lee Mahon, the youngest daughter of A. L. Mahon, of Williamsville.

The church was beautifully decorated and the ceremony was performed by Rev. R. W. Bagwell. The bride was given away by her brother, Everett Mahon. The bride attendants were Miss Alice Wood, of South Richmond, Hiram Scherer, of Richmond, with Miss Louise Anderson, of Buckingham county; John B. Boatwright, of Buckingham county; with Miss Myrtle Lacy, of the Woman's College, Richmond; John Anderson, of Buckingham county; with Miss Ruth Cole, of Dilwyn; Mrs. A. H. Cole, best man. Little Dorothy Bagwell was ring-bearer, and the flower-bearers were Kruger Anderson and Mary Bagwell. The ribbon-bearers were Woodruff Clark, George Bagwell, Hilda Booth and Elizabeth Gayle.

Immediately after the marriage the bride couple left for a Southern trip. They will return to the groom's home, "Mt. Ida," about the first of the new year.

Elks to Entertain Children.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Danville, Va., December 22.—The annual Christmas social session for the poor children of Danville to be given by the Elks, will be held next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the Ridge Street Tabernacle. Committees from the local lodges have been at work for the past several months making arrangements for this event.

NEEDS CASH TO COMPLETE WORK

Associated Charities Preparing to Take Care of the Poor for Christmas.

Cash contributions are needed by Rev. James Buchanan, secretary of the Associated Charities, to insure the poor families of Richmond Christmas baskets, which will be delivered to-morrow afternoon and night. To complete this work the aid of citizens is asked, and Dr. Buchanan hopes to have sufficient funds in hand before nightfall.

The work of preparing to make hundreds of mothers and children happy when Sunday dawns is now going rapidly ahead at the Associated Charities' headquarters, Fourteenth and Franklin Streets. The baskets to be delivered are being made up, while the toys and candies which will be given the poor children are being bundled and made ready for delivery.

The various charity organizations of the city are co-operating with Dr. Buchanan. The Salvation Army, the Elks, Seventh Street Christian Church and other organizations have arranged to supply about 400 families with baskets. This leaves about 300 homes to be cared for by the Associated Charities.

Many Richmonders have agreed to give toys to certain families. In these cases Dr. Buchanan will have the playthings augmented by a basket of foodstuffs. When individuals give groceries, the Associated Charities will give toys. And when nothing is given the Associated Charities will give both baskets and toys.

Unless assistance from the public is forthcoming in the next few days, it will be a difficult task to provide Christmas cheer for all of the poor of the city, and so Dr. Buchanan has appealed for help.

Bank Lenses New Quarters.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Danville, Va., December 22.—The Virginia State Bank, the youngest in the city, will soon move into more commodious quarters, having recently taken possession of the handsome quarters in the Dudley block, recently occupied by Johnston and Cheek, bankers. The directors have recently taken steps looking to the increase in the capital stock of the bank.

Grace Street Baptist Church Morning.
"Marche Triphonale," Callers (organ); "Christians Awake," March; "There Were Shepherds," Dudley Buck; "Cantata Domine" (Festival in "B" flat), Dudley Buck (choir); "Hallelujah Chorus," and by Dubois (organ).

Evening.
Prelude in "G" minor, Dubois (organ); "Sing O Heavens," Cable (organ); "Christmas," Shelley; "Glory to God in the Highest," Harker (choir); March in "B" flat, Duncan (organ).

Morning services, quartette; evening services, double quartette. Sopranos, Mrs. Shiplett, Mrs. Hagan; Altos, Miss Isaacs, Miss Morton; Tenors, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Reams; Basses, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Cosby. Julian Quincy Cole, organist and director.

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AUDITOR WILL BE NAMED ON MONDAY

New Officer Must Be in Charge Before Business Can Be Resumed.

Because of a defect in the laws of the State, there is now no one, since the death of Colonel Morton Myrre, who is under bond to receive the money due Virginia. During the illness of the late Auditor, his chief clerk, C. Lee Moore, has been acting Auditor by appointment of the Governor, but with the death of the late Auditor, the law provides that in the event of the "absence" of one of the Auditors or the State Treasurer, the Governor may designate the chief clerk to act in his stead. But in case of death the only provision to be found in the statutes is that the executive shall appoint a man to fill the vacancy, the appointment to hold until thirty days after the assembling of the next General Assembly.

Will Appoint Monday.
However, the matter will be so arranged that at that appointment Colonel Myrre's successor before the office is again open for business. It is his intention to order that it be closed not only to-day, but to-morrow as well, in honor of the late Auditor. It will be closed next Monday by law, in celebration of Christmas.

Therefore, the Governor has until Monday night to appoint his man and get him qualified and bonded, which in all human probability will be done. As to the identity of the new officer, who will preside at the opening of business next Tuesday morning, there is naturally considerable speculation. The name of C. Lee Moore, the chief clerk to Colonel Myrre for the last twenty-seven years, is often used, and yet there was much uncertainty of doubt last night as to his appointment. It was also suggested that Matthew Hark, of Blackstone, would make an efficient Auditor and possesses all the qualifications. Still, the feeling is that it will be some other man.

Certainly the fortunate man cannot be one who is now a member of the General Assembly. This is expressly forbidden in the Constitution.

NO CUT RATES ON AUDITORIUM

Grounds and Buildings Committee Refuses Request of Philharmonic Association.

The Council Committee on Grounds and Buildings last night instructed Building Inspector Beck to advertise and sell at public auction on January 4 the lot and building at the corner of Stuart and Littlepage Streets, formerly used for school purposes. Shea and Keegan were selected as auctioneers.

City Engineer Bolling reported to the committee that the Boulevard and park roads about William Byrd Park were being injured by heavy hauling, but as many of the other cross streets in the vicinity have not been opened to traffic, the committee decided that it was powerless to stop the heavy teams from using these roads.

Dr. J. M. Whitfield appeared before the committee asking the use of the City Auditorium for a series of six concerts to be given by the Philharmonic Association, at a nominal fee. The organization, he said, sold no admission tickets, was intended to promote good fellowship and music, and would agree to donate any profit from the season tickets for the six concerts to the Associated Charities.

In view of its character, he asked that the association be allowed the Auditorium for \$15 per night, which Chairman Watkins asserted would not pay for their light or heat, while the building represents a large investment, standing idle most of the time, maintained at the city's expense by a salaried caretaker.

After finding that the association had once rented the Academy at \$100, and the Jefferson Auditorium at \$50 per night, the committee decided that it could not vary its usual rates, but would allow the Auditorium at \$50 per night, as any lower rate would bring the building into competition with other halls which pay city taxes on the property, and hold licenses for amusement enterprises in addition.

This decision was met with approval by the South Richmond jail so as to provide for a police court-room, and other conveniences, at an estimated cost of \$1,000, on plans prepared by Building Inspector Beck.

Some debate occurred over the approval of the Christmas pay roll. In

TAX NOTICE

Office Collector of City Taxes, City Hall, Richmond, Va., Dec. 1, 1910.

Notice to Tax payers

THE LAST HALF OF CITY TAXES REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL, for 1910, IS NOW DUE AND PAYABLE at this office.

EVERY MALE twenty-one years of age, and EVERY person keeping house or doing business in the city, is assessed for personal taxes. Those who have not paid any city taxes during the year will please call and settle, as to avoid being posted as delinquents.

GRADING, PAVING, PIPE AND SEWER CONNECTION BILLS are also due, and will have to be declared delinquent if not paid on or before end of year.

FIVE PER CENT. will be added to last half if not paid on or before DECEMBER 31ST.

Interest at SIX PER CENT. also attaches on all bills as soon as reported delinquent.

Particular attention is called to the above, as under an ordinance passed by the City Council there can be no avoidance of the penalty.

WASHINGTON WARD TAXES to be paid in same manner at the office of J. P. ROBINSON, Special Assistant City Collector, at Tenth and Hull Streets.

F. W. CUNNINGHAM, Collector of City Taxes.

Meetings.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the National State and City Bank of Richmond, Va., will be held at their bank, 11 E. Main St., on WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1911, at 12 M.

JULIEN H. HILL, Cashier.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the National Bank of Virginia, Richmond, Va., will be held at their banking house, TUESDAY, January 10, 1911, at 12 M.

W. M. ADDISON, Cashier.

Security Life Insurance Company, Chicago, Ill., December 12, 1910.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Security Life Insurance Company of America: You are hereby notified that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Security Life Insurance Company of America will be held at the Jefferson Hotel, in the city of Richmond, Virginia, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of January, A. D. 1911, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any and all other business which may be submitted to the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors, O. W. JOHNSON, Assistant Secretary.

Union Bank of Richmond, Richmond, Va., December 12, 1910.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the Union Bank of Richmond, Virginia, will be held at their banking house, 115 East Main Street, on THURSDAY, January 12, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon.

GEO. W. CALL, Cashier.

The Savings Bank of Richmond, Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1910.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank will be held at the office of the company in the city of Richmond, Va., on TUESDAY, January 17, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon.

L. D. AYLETT, Secretary.

Bankrupt Notices.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:

In the matter of No. 538. BERNARD C. BUFORD, In Bankruptcy.

ORDER OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE. On the 20th day of December, A. D. 1910, on reading the petition for discharge of the bankrupt, it was ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 30 DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1911, before said court, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. and that notice thereof be published in the Times-Dispatch, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the court that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence, as stated.

Witness the Honorable EDMUND WADDILL, J. C., Judge of said court, and the seal thereof, at Richmond, Va., said district, on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1910.

Attest: (Seal of the Court.) JOSEPH P. BLADY, Clerk.

MR. H. W. GOODWIN, Attorney for Bankrupt.



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